

**MINUTES  
FOUNTAIN COUNTY COUNCIL  
JUNE 22, 2015  
9:00 A.M.**

The following council members were present at the meeting: Dudley Cruea, Dale Clawson, Bill Glover, Tom Booe, Joe Whittington, Jim McKee and Jim Hershberger.

No Public Comment

**MINUTES**

A motion was made by Jim Hershberger and seconded by Joe Whittington to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2015 meeting as presented. Vote: 7-0

**Don Hesler**

He wanted to inform the council about E-911 and struggles they are having keeping people on the payroll. In doing some research, he has found that the surrounding counties are paying up to \$5 more an hour to do the same job. He was asking to take Kathleen's request into consideration of raising the wages of the E-911 operators for next year's budget. In doing so, Fountain County will become competitive in their wages and hopefully people that have been trained will actually stay.

Solid Waste is unfortunately not doing too well and they are thinking of eliminating another position. The containers from Walden's are working out really well.

**Terry Martin- Project Pullover**

He explained the benefits of having the program and further explained where the money from the project is going. In having this project an appropriation and reduction needed to be done due to it being after the 2015 Budgets were adopted.

**ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS – Resolution 2015-6**

Infraction Deferral

FUND NAME: Project Pullover \$5,000.00  
2400-0000-33380

A motion was made by Jim McKee and seconded by Tom Booe to approve the additional appropriation request. Vote: 7-0

**APPROPRIATION REDUCTION – Resolution 2015-7**

Infraction Deferral

FUND NAME: Project Pullover \$5,000.00  
2400-0000-17800

A motion was made by Tom Booe and seconded by Dale Clawson to approve the additional appropriation request. Vote: 7-0

**CAGIT/CEDIT Rates – Darren Bates, Data Pit Stop**

He came to advise the council on what they should do to bring more revenue to the county. He informed the council that if they rearranged a couple things, it would maximize the county's budget. He said that our county is actually doing really well, in his opinion, in the top 8 of the State. He has a program that shows all of the data that he is referring to. It is \$6,000 a year. He was honest and said that the county doesn't need the program at this time, but still suggested rearranging a couple of things.

**CLERK – CASH CHANGE FUND**

Clerk – Jessica Woodrow requested for an increase of \$50 in the Cash Change Fund due to the new case management system that requires each person to have their own cash drawer. Each person will have a cash drawer in the amount of \$25 each. (Current amount is \$50)

## **Surtax/Wheel Tax Amended Ordinance 2015-4**

This amends ordinance 2014-7

A motion was made by Joe Whittington and seconded by Jim Hershberger to approve the Amended Ordinance.

Vote: 7-0

### **Transfer – 5211 Liberty National to 1000 Co General**

\$337.38 From 5211 – Liberty National  
To 1000 – County General

A motion was made by Jim McKee and seconded by Joe Whittington to approve the transfer request.

Vote: 7-0

(\*Note\* Motion at May 18<sup>th</sup> Mtg. to transfer from 5211 Liberty National to 1186 Rainy Day Fund can't be done per:SBOA. A motion was made by Joe Whittington and seconded by Tom Booe to approve the original request to transfer \$337.38 since we no longer use this insurance.)

### **Department Head Reports**

**Garth Kagels-** He gave an update on the new ambulance. It should be delivered on Thursday or Friday to the dealership in St John, IN. They will pick it up on Tuesday.

**Extension Office - Courtney Stierwalt** invited everyone to come to the 4-H Fair. It will be held at the Fountain County Fairgrounds between July 17<sup>th</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Budgets**-Ron Howard

He expressed some concerns about Solid Waste and feels it needs more attention.

### **2014 Statewide E- 911 (Audit)**

Brenda found out through an audit that office furniture couldn't come out of the Statewide E-911 fund. It will need to be reimbursed and will need to come out of County General.

**Dudley Cruea-** He commended Auditor, Brenda Hardy for taking the time to go through the funds and find the ones that could be transferred back into County General.

A report of money that has been transferred into County General from reimbursements. The total so far in 2015 that was transferred was **\$106,524.04**.

This is a combination of CASA PROGRAM: \$42,351.04 and LEVY EXCESS \$64,173.00.

### **Set Council Meeting dates for 2016 Budget Process.**

**August 12, 13, & 14**

**JULY 20**

**AUGUST**

**AUGUST 24 & 25th at 8am**

**SEPTEMBER 14<sup>th</sup> at 9am**

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**BUDGET WORKSHOPS W/DLGF**

**Auditor will hand out budgets for review**

**Publication of Budget on GATEWAY**

**Budget Hearings – Officeholders present**

**Adoption of 2016 Budget**

**Ratify Budget for County Units**

**(Council Review of Budgets)**

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE JULY 20, 2015  
AT 9:00 A.M.**

A motion was made by Tom Booe and seconded by Joe Whittington to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 7-0